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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2002, please extend the period of time for response six months, from September 17, 2002 to December 17, 2002.

Enclosed are a Request for Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Title

Please replace the Title with: Interleukin-17 Receptor Homologue

In the Claims

✓ Please cancel claims 1-20, without prejudice.

Please add new claims 21-44.